

**AGENDA
MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION
MEETING**

September 16, 2016
Gambling Control Board Conference Room
Department of Public Safety
45 Commerce Drive, Augusta, Maine
Starting Time 9:00 a.m.

- 1. Call the Meeting to Order and Introductions:** William Varney, Chair
- 2. Review and Approval of Written Decisions and Orders**
- 3. Adjudicatory Hearings:**
 - a. None.**
- 4. Appeals of Presiding Judge Decisions:**
 - a. Appeal from Ronald Cushing Concerning Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 070.** Mr. Cushing is appealing the August 25, 2015 decision of Presiding Judge Frank Hall, Jr. in which Judge Hall assessed a \$400 fine for a fourth offense of MSHRC Rule prohibiting excessive or discriminate use of the whip.
 - b. Appeal from Ronald Cushing Concerning Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 096.** Mr. Cushing is appealing the November 3, 2015 decision of Presiding Judge Frank Hall, Jr. in which Judge Hall assessed a \$175 fine for an offense of MSHRC Rule of foot out of the stirrup.
 - c. Appeal from Ronald Cushing Concerning Complaint Number 2015 MSHRC 097.** Mr. Cushing is appealing the November 6, 2015 decision of Presiding Judge Frank Hall, Jr. in which Judge Hall assessed a \$200 fine for an offense of MSHRC Rule of foot out of the stirrup.
 - d. Appeal from Howard Davis Jr. Concerning Complaint Number 2016 MSHRC 07.** Mr. Davis is appealing the May 30, 2016 decision of Presiding Judge Frank Hall, Jr. in which Judge Hall assessed a placing of the horse Mr. Davis was driving in the 7th race at Bangor Raceway.
 - e. Appeal from Howard Davis Jr. Concerning Complaint Number 2016 MSHRC 13.** Mr. Davis Jr. is appealing the July 20, 2016 decision of Presiding Judge Frank Hall, Jr. in which Judge Hall assessed a \$125 fine for an offense of MSHRC Rule causing any horse or a field of horses to excessively slow down their speed.

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5. Other Business:

- a. Dismissal of Donna Sprague's violation that occurred on June 27, 2014.** Ms. Sprague's consent agreement for suspension and fine dated March 13, 2015 states that if Ms. Sprague has no violations of Chapter 11 between September 5, 2015 and the May 2016 meeting of the Commission, the violation that occurred on June 27, 2014 will be dismissed.
- b. Review of Title 8 Chapter 11 Statutes**
- c. Review List for Rulemaking**
- d. Summary of Unpaid Purses**

6. Executive Director's Report

7. Public Comment

8. Schedule of Future Meetings:

September 23, 2016
October 13, 2016 and October 21, 2016
November 18, 2016
December 8, 2016

9. Adjourn